GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2023

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Short Title:	ATV and UTV Titling/Mod. UTV Revisions.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Jarvis, Sawyer, and Lazzara (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:	Rules and Operations of the Senate	

March 22, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES AND EXPANDING THE STREETS OR HIGHWAYS ON WHICH A MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLE MAY BE LEGALLY OPERATED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-53.6. Titling of all-terrain vehicles and utility vehicles.

Any owner of an all-terrain vehicle, modified utility vehicle, or utility vehicle may apply to the Division for a certificate of title by completing an application on a form provided by the Division and paying the fee established under G.S. 20-85(a)(1). The application form shall require, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) The owner's name.
- (2) The owner's mailing address and residence address.
- (3) The owner's drivers license number, which shall be provided as authorized by G.S. 20-52(a)(1a)b.
- (4) A description of the vehicle, including the make and model."

SECTION 2. G.S. 20-54 reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-54. Authority for refusing registration or certificate of title.

The Division shall refuse registration or issuance of a certificate of title or any transfer of registration upon any of the following grounds:

(8) The vehicle is a golf eart or utility vehicle.cart. If the vehicle is an all-terrain vehicle or utility vehicle, the Division shall refuse registration or any transfer of registration but shall issue a certificate of title as provided by G.S. 20-53.6.

SECTION 3. G.S. 20-121.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-121.1. Operation of a low-speed vehicle, mini-truck, or modified utility vehicle on certain roadways.

The operation of a low-speed vehicle, mini-truck, or modified utility vehicle is authorized with the following restrictions:

A low-speed vehicle may be operated only on streets and highways where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. A mini-truck or modified utility vehicle may be operated only on streets and highways where the posted speed limit is 55 miles per hour or less; provided, a modified utility vehicle may not



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SECTION 4. This act becomes effective October 1, 2023, and applies to registrations or certificates of title issued on or after that date.